

INVITE PERCUTANATE COMMITTEE TO PARTICIPATE
IN THE UP-COMING INDIGENOUS ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORK
THIS FALL - AUGUST -

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A Turtle Island alliance empowering Indigenous communities towards sustainable livelihoods, environmental protection of our lands, water, air, and maintaining the sacred Fire of our traditions.

May 24, 1998

Dear Friend,

Thank you for your interest in the upcoming 9th Annual Protecting Mother Earth Conference sponsored by the Indigenous Environmental Network. You are invited to this conference which is sponsored by the Seventh Generation Fund. This year the conference will be held in northeastern California within the traditional lands of the Ahjumawi Band of Pitt River Native community located near Mt. Shasta. The four day outdoor conference is scheduled to begin Sunday morning through Wednesday afternoon, August 2 – 5, 1998. There will be a sacred Fire lighting ceremony beginning at daybreak on Sunday morning. The conference site is on the Buckskin Family Camp located 10 miles north of Fall River Mills on County Road A-19 near Soldiers Mountain. This is located northeast of Redding, CA north of state highway 299.

The theme of this year's conference is "*Honoring Sacred Places.*" Mt. Shasta and the nearby Medicine Lake are sacred areas to the Pitt River, Wintu, Modoc and other Native peoples of the region. These areas are being threatened by development such as a thermal energy development at the Medicine Lake site. Workshops and plenaries are being scheduled to discuss the protection of sacred, historical and cultural sites of significant value to our Native peoples.

Additional workshops, training's and plenaries are being scheduled on environmental issues such as toxic, nuclear, tribal environmental standards and laws, cleanup of contaminated sites, community-based fundraising, grassroots organization development, youth development, biological diversity, international initiatives, endangered species, and natural resource management. All presentations are balanced with Native traditional and modern perspectives.

This is an outdoor camping gathering that follows the teachings of the sacred Fire that burns throughout the four days. Child care and youth activities are provided. Limited travel subsidy scholarships are available for Native grassroots groups and organizations that are dealing with environmental issues.

Please contact either Charlotte Caldwell at the Indigenous Environmental Network at (218) 751-4967 or Seventh Generation Fund at (707) 825-7640 for further information. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Tom Goldtooth
National Coordinator

OVERVIEW AGENDA OF IEN CONFERENCE

9TH ANNUAL PROTECTING MOTHER EARTH CONFERENCE

August 2 - 5, 1998

There may be slight changes and additions to the workshop topics and this schedule. A printed conference Program will be available at a later time with description of the workshops and plenaries and listing of speakers.

Sunday - August 2 1998 Opening Day of Conference

Sunrise Lighting of the Sacred Fire

Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Opening Plenary - Representatives of the local Native communities & California

Lunch

1:30 - 4:30 p.m. Afternoon Workshops - Water and Soil Sampling, Mining, Building Sustainable Communities and Alternative Energy, Proposal Development, Tribal Environmental Programs, Others

5:00 p.m. Coalition Building - Special Interest Groups

6:30 p.m. Dinner

8:00 p.m. Evening Presentation

Monday - August 3rd Day 2

Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Plenary - Dangerous and Persistent Pollutants and Impacts to Native Peoples

Lunch

1:30 - 4:30 p.m. Afternoon Workshops - Coalition Building, Unsustainable Mining Issues, Youth, Environmental Health, Tribal Solid Waste-Landfills and Incinerators, Poisoned Plastics, Environmental and Language, Forestry and Clearcutting, Others

5:00 p.m. Coalition Building - Special Interest Groups

6:30 p.m. Dinner

8:00 p.m. Evening Presentation

Tuesday - August 4th Day 3

Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Plenary - Nuclear Colonialism

Lunch

1:30 - 4:30 p.m. Afternoon Workshops - Youth Alliance Building, Fish Nation, Restoring and Remediation of Damaged Lands, Indigenous Peoples Biodiversity, Water and Soil Sampling, Financial Management for Community-Based Groups, Endangered Species, Tribal Community-Based Environmental Programs, Others

5:00 p.m. Coalition building - Special Interest Groups

6:30 p.m. Dinner

8:00 p.m. Evening Presentation

Wednesday - August 5th Day 4

Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Morning Workshops - NEPA and Historical Protection, Solid Waste, International Activities Impacting Indigenous Peoples, Language and Environment, Poisoned Plastics, Environmental Health, Youth, Building Sustainable Communities and Alternative Energy, Others

Lunch

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Closing Plenary - Report Outs

3:00 p.m. Closing Ceremony - End of Conference

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An International Indigenous Grassroots Gathering



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AUGUST 2-5, 1998

BUCKSKIN FAMILY CAMP
FALL RIVER MILLS, CA

WORKSHOPS & COALITION BUILDING ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES: SACRED SITES, NUCLEAR, TOXIC WASTE, FORESTRY, FISHING RIGHTS, MINING IMPACTS, POLLUTANTS, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES, & BIODIVERSITY.

MEALS PROVIDED; PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN DISHES AND UTENSILS



YOUTH ACTIVITIES & DAYCARE PROVIDED

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NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOL. LIMITED TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NATIVE COMMUNITY GROUPS.



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